



Wadham School

A Church of England Community School



GCSE Mock 2 Exam Information 2025-2026



Name.....

Tutor group.....

“Life in all its fullness” John 10:10



Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

Well done Year 11! At the beginning of Term 2 all of our thoughts are firmly on the Mock 2 exams starting **Monday 17th November**. You will have heard from me before about the value of attending school every day and working as hard as possible in every lesson. Keep it up!

The information in this booklet will help students prepare for the upcoming MOCK 2 exams and beyond. The Mock 2 exams will give every student the opportunity to show how well they are progressing towards their final GCSE exams and highlight areas they will need to work on to reach their full potential.

There are sections of the booklet for you go through which include 'revising', 'organisation' and 'exam stress'.

I wish all my year group the very best for their MOCK 2 exams. Students will receive their results on **Monday 15th December**.

Please be in contact if you have any questions or if you need any further support.

Mrs Sian Gray
Head of Year 11



Exam Boards



Please find below details of the exam boards for each subject.

Mathematics: Edexcel

English Language: AQA

English Literature: AQA

Science (Combined): Edexcel

Science (Separate): Edexcel

Art, Craft and Design: Edexcel

Business: OCR

Child Development and Care: NCFE

Design and Technology: OCR

Film Studies: EDUQAS

Fine Art: AQA

Food Preparation and Nutrition: AQA

French: Edexcel

Geography: AQA

German: Edexcel

History: Edexcel

Photography: AQA

GCSE Physical Education: OCR

Religion and Philosophy: EDUQAS

Statistics: Edexcel



Revision Guides



Please find below detail of the revision guides available from the Finance Office and via iPay.

Maths: GCSE maths Textbooks, Maths practice workbooks

English: Collins Snap Revision – Reading/Writing

Combined Science: GCSE Knowledge Organiser and Retriever Bundle (Foundation or Higher)

Triple Science: Revision Guides and Practice Workbooks available for all 3 separate Science GCSEs.

Food Preparation and Nutrition: Revision Guide

Geography: Revision Guide and Workbook

History: Revision Guide or 4 Units in 1

French & German: Revision Guide

Business: My Revision Notes

GCSE PE: OCR PE Revision Guide

Equipment List

You must provide your own equipment for exams.

Below is a list of required equipment for all exams.

Black biro pens (at least 4). **Not gel pens**

HB pencil (at least 3)

Pencil sharpener

Colouring pencils (for some exams)

Highlighters (for some exams)

Eraser

30cm ruler

Protractor

Compass

Calculator – You must remove the cover for exams

Clear, transparent pencil case – so invigilators can see the contents

Water bottle – clear, transparent. All labels need to be removed.

No Mobile phone or smart watches allowed in the exam rooms and should be kept in bags which will be stored away.



Important Dates

4th – 6th November - Rotary Mock Interviews
10th – 14th November – MFL Mock Speaking Exams
11th November - Flu Vaccinations
17th – 21st November - Mock 2 Exams
8th December - Bath University Trip
15th December - Year 11 Report & Brown Envelope (MOCK 2 Results)
17th and 18th December - Fine Art, Photography and Art, Craft & Design Mock
15th January (5-7pm) - Year 11 GCSE Information Evening (Core and Options)

2nd – 13th February - GCSE PE Practicals
5th February – Year 11 Subject Evening (online) 4-7pm
9th – 13th February - MFL Mock
23rd – 27th February - Mock 3
2nd – 6th March - School Production of Grease
23rd March - Year 11 MOCK 3 Results Home
30th March – 2nd April – Art and Photography Exams
23rd – 24th April - German Speaking Exam
27th April - French Speaking Exam
5th May – 15th June - Exams
19th June - Year 11 Leavers Event
22nd June - Year 11 Prom





Revision Clubs

(Subject to change)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8am-8.25am		Further Maths C05	Further Maths C05		
Lunchtime (1.20-1.55)		Science Revision Year 11 D01	History B24 GCSE PE Theory Support Sports Hall	Statistics A13 Science Past Paper Club D01	
After school (3-4pm)	Study Club Year 11 A13	French Revision A11 Science Revision D01	Film Studies A13 Engineering and 3D Design E02 Music Composition and Performance support A09	Art and Photography A02/A13 German A11 Maths and Statistics Revision C05 Geography Revision B21 Music Composition and Performance support A09	



Tackling Exam Stress





Subject: Mathematics

Exam Board: Edexcel

Key Takeaways from Mock 1 / Areas of development:

- Use your QLA (R/A/G topic list) to improve
- Doing Maths for half an hour every day is far more productive than revising for 3 hours in one go!
- Every lesson counts

Useful Revision resources and websites:

- [Corbett Maths](#)
- [Maths Genie](#)
- [Sparx Maths](#)

Topics in the Mock 2 exams:

Entire curriculum

Revision Opportunities in school:

- After-school Maths revision on Wednesday – foundation & higher, A06 & A07
- Past Paper Club Wednesday before school A06
- Further Maths Tuesday lunchtime A06



Subject: English Language

Exam Board: AQA

Key Takeaways from Mock 1 / Areas of development:

Exam technique is vital:

- Not missing out questions (timing)
- Being aware of *how* to answer questions (scaffolds and strategies practised in lessons)
- Reading questions carefully (don't miss out on marks by not answering the topic of the question)

Useful Revision resources and websites:

- Seneca Learning
- BBC Bitesize
- Knowledge Organiser & revision booklet
- Past papers (we give booklets of these to students)

Topics in the November Mock 2 exams:

Paper 2 – Writers' views and perspectives (50% of GCSE)

- 1 hour 45 minute exam
- 80 marks
- Section A: Reading – two literary non-fiction texts
- Section B: Writing – non-fiction, persuasive/argumentative



Subject: English Literature

Exam Board: AQA

Key Takeaways from Mock 1 / Areas of development:

- Revision needed, especially for *An Inspector Calls* and *A Christmas Carol*
- Unseen Poetry: practise key strategies (look at the first line, last line, then the middle – tonal shifts & POETIC POEMS)

Useful Revision resources and websites:

- Seneca Learning
- BBC Bitesize
- Knowledge Organiser & revision booklet

Topics in the November Mock 2 exams:

Paper 1 – Shakespeare and the 19th Century Novel

- 1 hour 45 minute exam
- 64 marks
- 40% of GCSE
- Section A – Macbeth: answer a question about an extract and the play as a whole
- Section B – A Christmas Carol: answer a question about an extract and the novel as a whole

Subject: Science (combined)

Exam Board: Edexcel



Key Takeaways from Mock 1 / Areas of development:

Recognise that the word 'explain' means additional scientific information is needed – explain needs because!

Always show the mathematical workings when doing calculations (in biology and chemistry too, not just physics)

Check units, sig figs and decimal places.

Learn core practical methods.

Attempt the “six mark” questions.

Useful Revision resources and websites:

[BBC bitesize](#)

[Cognito](#)

[Seneca](#)

[Physics and maths tutor \(for past papers in all sciences not just physics\)](#)

[Edexcel core practicals](#)

Science revision channel in the Year 11 Team.

Topics in the Mock 2 exams (combined)

Paper 1: Biology 1 Topic 1 – Key concepts in biology, Topic 2 – Cells and control, Topic 3 – Genetics, Topic 4 – Natural selection and genetic modification, Topic 5 – Health, disease and the development of medicines

Paper 3: Chemistry 1 Topic 1 – Key concepts in chemistry, Topic 2 – States of matter and mixtures, Topic 3 – Chemical changes, Topic 4 – Extracting metals and equilibria

Paper 5: Physics 1 Topic 1 – Key concepts of physics, Topic 2 – Motion and forces, Topic 3 – Conservation of energy, Topic 4 – Waves, Topic 5 – Light and the electromagnetic spectrum, Topic 6 – Radioactivity

Revision Opportunities in school: After-school revision 3 to 4pm on Tuesdays.



Subject: Science (Separate)

Exam Board: Edexcel

Key Takeaways from Mock 1 / Areas of development:

Recognise that the word 'explain' means additional scientific information is needed – explain needs because!

Always show the mathematical workings when doing calculations (in biology and chemistry too, not just physics)

Check units, sig figs and decimal places.

Use standard form where appropriate.

Learn core practical methods.

Attempt the “six mark” questions.

Useful Revision resources and websites:

[BBC bitesize](#)

[Cognito](#)

[seneca](#)

[Physics and maths tutor \(for past papers in all sciences not just physics\)](#)

[Edexcel core practicals](#)

Science revision channel in the year 11 team.

Topics in the Mock 2 exams (separate)

Biology paper 1 Content assessed • Topic 1 – Key concepts in biology • Topic 2 – Cells and control • Topic 3 – Genetics • Topic 4 – Natural selection and genetic modification • Topic 5 – Health, disease and the development of medicines

Chemistry paper 1 Content assessed • Topic 1 – Key concepts in chemistry • Topic 2 – States of matter and mixtures

• Topic 3 – Chemical changes • Topic 4 – Extracting metals and equilibria • Topic 5 – Separate chemistry 1

Physics paper 1 • Topic 1 – Key concepts of physics • Topic 2 – Motion and forces • Topic 3 – Conservation of energy

• Topic 4 – Waves • Topic 5 – Light and the electromagnetic spectrum • Topic 6 – Radioactivity • Topic 7 – Astronomy

Revision Opportunities in school: After-school revision 3 to 4pm on Tuesdays.



Subject: Art, Craft and Design

Exam Board: Edexcel

Key Takeaways from Mock 1 / Areas of development:

- **Coherent sketchbook work** – Your final piece must always relate back to your sketchbook. A clear journey should be shown.
- **Critical analysis of designers' work** – During analysis you must use disciplinary language – such as line, shape, form, composition and interpret why the designer has used those elements. What impact do these choices have? How do they want the viewer to feel?
- **Time planning for final piece** – You must ensure your final designs can realistically be created in the timescale you have. but challenging enough to showcase your skill and creativity.

Useful Revision resources and websites:

www.designmuseum.org

www.sculptures.org.uk

<https://collections.craftscouncil.org.uk/home>

Topics in the Mock 2 exams:

During this time, you will be planning for your final piece (Natural Forms). This could include drawing and experimentation.

Revision Opportunities in school:

On Wednesdays from 3pm until 4pm in E02 with Mrs Lemon. Please sign up by 3pm on the day before, so that the session is appropriately planned and resourced.



Subject: Business

Exam Board: OCR GCSE Business.

Key Takeaways from Mock 1 / Areas of development:

- 1) Make sure that you read the case study before answering any questions. Use the case study in the application of your answers.
- 2) Make sure that you have gone through all your core knowledge to ensure you do not miss out on marks when you can't remember the key words.

Useful revision resources and websites:

[GCSE - Business \(9-1\) - J204 – OCR](#) – Past papers and Mark Schemes for Business.

SENECA learning – Make sure you use OCR Business for your revision. This will help with your core knowledge.
Teams channel for Business - This channel has your knowledge organisers, the revision guide, PowerPoint of core knowledge and questions to support.

Topics in the Mock 2 exams:

Paper 1

Business activity – Business ownership, Business Planning, Stakeholders, Aims & Objectives, Business Growth.
Marketing – The Role of Marketing, Market Research, Market Segmentation, The Marketing Mix, Price, Products, Place, Promotion.

People – The Role of HR, Organisational Structures, Communication, Recruitment, Motivation, Training, Employment Law,

Revision Opportunities in school: Please speak to Mrs Finch



Subject: Child Development and Care in the Early Years
Exam Board: NCFE

Key Takeaways from Mock 1 / Areas of development:

- Roles of childcare professionals
- The definition of partnership working
- A02: applying knowledge and understanding to real life situations: strategies that could support the child discussed in the question

Useful Revision resources and websites:

- Current and Archived TEAMS channel – Child Development and Care (2024-2025)
- My Revision Notes: NCFE CACHE Level 1/2 Technical Award in Child Development and Care in the Early Years by Louise Burnham and Penny Tassoni

Topics in the Mock 2 exams:

Child Development	Factors that influence the child's holistic development including transitions	Care Routines, play and activities to support the child
Early Years Provision	Legislation, policies and procedures in the early years	Expectations of the early years practitioner
Roles and responsibilities within early years settings	The importance of observations in early years childcare	Planning in early years childcare

Revision Opportunities in school:

Please speak to Mrs Gosney





Subject: Design and Technology
Exam Board: OCR

Key Takeaways from Mock 1 / Areas of development:

- Students need to look at the marks available - questions worth a higher number of marks weren't answered with enough detail.
- Knowledge of materials (especially timbers) needs to be more thorough too. Ensure you know the properties of materials and common processes.

Useful Revision resources and websites:

[Seneca Learning : Design & Technology: OCR GCSE](#)
[BBC Bitesize : Design and Technology](#)

Topics in the Mock 2 exam

Thermoplastics, metals, paper and board and timber	Smart, modern materials	Isometric drawing	Calculating cost and size of parts in batch manufacturing	Electric components
Standard components	Testing	Calculating angles and area	Inclusive design	Sustainability and life cycle assessment
Synthetic Fabric	Commercial processes	Presenting data (pie-charts)	Types of motion and mechanisms	Emerging technologies

Revision Opportunities in school:

On Wednesdays from 3pm until 4pm in E02 with Mrs Lemon. Please sign up by 3pm on the day before, so that the session is appropriately planned and resourced.



Subject: Film Studies

Exam Board: EDUQAS

Key Takeaways from Mock 1 / Areas of development:

- The use of film terminology was great
- Generally, students were able to analyse key scenes
- However, too many people either misremembered scenes or misremembered details from the films
- Revision of narrative elements needed

Useful Revision resources and websites:

- [StudioBinder](#) (a great website for revising film terminology)
- The knowledge organisers and any materials from Y10, which you should have at home now.
- YouTube is a fantastic resource for film analysis, clips from the films we have studied and lots of other things that relate to film terminology.

Topics in the Mock 2 exams:

Dracula, The Lost Boys, history timeline and Whiplash.



Subject: Fine Art

Exam Board: AQA

Key Takeaways from Mock 1 / Areas of development:

Sketchbook work.

- How does your main piece link to your experiments and Artist research?
- Have you made clear that you have developed an idea inspired by your drawings, sketches and experimentation?
- Have you used a variety of media to demonstrate your skill set?

Useful Revision resources and websites:

Tate.org.uk

Previous work and exemplars

Checklists in the sketchbook, on Teams.

Revision Opportunities in school:

After-school Art sessions on a Thursday 3pm – 4pm.

Subject: Food
Exam Board: AQA



For your Food mock exam you will be completing a full exam paper.

- The length of the paper will be **1 hour 45 minutes**
- **It will be out of 100 marks**
- The paper will consist of **Section A** (20 multiple choice questions)
- **Section B** where written answers will be provided (5 questions worth up to 80 marks)

Section A will be on any of the topics we have covered.

Section B here is a list of topics that will be covered – I am giving you a list of topics to help you focus your revision (I have given you pg references from the digital textbook):

- ✓ **Protein alternatives** (pg 4)
- ✓ **Lactose intolerance** (pg 56 and 217)
- ✓ **Reducing the fat content of recipes** (pg 10-13, 67)
- ✓ **The use of additives in food** (286-288) we will be looking at this before the exam
- ✓ **Gluten formation** (pg 110=111)
- ✓ **Dextrinisation** (pg 122)
- ✓ **Caramelisation** (pg 122-123)
- ✓ **Functional and chemical properties of flour, sugar and butter** (Ch 4)
- ✓ **Raising agents** – chemical/physical and biological (pg 140-151)
- ✓ **Healthy eating and portion size** (pg 38-39, 43)
- ✓ **High risk foods** (Ch 5)
- ✓ **Food poisoning bacteria** (pg 172-173)
- ✓ **Yoghurt production** (pg 170, 281)

You can use the digital textbook (referenced by relevant page numbers) www.illuminate.digital/aqa/food

Username: SWAD3

Password: STUDENT3

Seneca (GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition AQA)

Subject: French & German

Exam Board: Edexcel

Key Takeaways from Mock 1 / Areas of development:

- Listening for specific details
- Being able to talk about a chosen topic and answer a range of questions about this topic
- Using accurate past, present and future tense verbs in the speaking and the writing papers
- Using complex structures and a range of language

Useful Revision resources and websites:

- ActiveLearn
- Quizlet
- BBC Bitesize
- Languagesonline
- Linguascope
- PowerPoint and sample exam questions on Teams

Topics in the Mock 2 exams:

Full past papers in listening, speaking, reading and writing skills on all topics

Revision Opportunities in school:

ActiveHub lunchtime support: Monday lunchtime in A12

After-school GCSE support: Tuesday in A11 3pm – 4pm



Key Dates

Mock Speaking Exam 1 French -
Monday 10th and Tuesday
11th November

Mock Speaking Exam 1 German -
Wednesday 12th and Friday
14th November

Mock Speaking Exam 2 - w/c
9th February 2026 (TBC)

Final Speaking Exams German -
Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th April
2026 (TBC)

Final Speaking Exams French -
Monday 27th and Tuesday 28th April
2026 (TBC)

GCSE support for French and German
are Tuesday in A11.



Subject: Geography

Exam Board: AQA

Key Takeaways from Mock 1 / Areas of development:

BUGging the questions

Use of resources in written answers

Case study knowledge and depth

Useful Revision resources and websites:

Seneca

<https://www.internetgeography.net/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zy3ptyc>

Topics in the Mock 2 exams:

UK Physical Landscapes – River and Coasts

Urban Challengers – Rio de Janeiro and Bristol

Fieldwork – unseen and seen

Revision Opportunities in school:

Wednesday after school (3.10- 4.10pm) in B22 – after Christmas



Subject: History
Exam Board: Edexcel

Key Takeaways from Mock 1 / Areas of development:

- **Knowledge:** Good, there is a good level of understanding. Where you have gaps making learning key information from your Knowledge Organisers a priority.
- **Exam Skills:** There is an understanding of the expectations for most of the question strands. Practice, Practice, Practice. Getting your exam technique right will improve your grade by at least a mark. As you revise a topic, choose a question from any of the old papers and answer it. Mr Cassidy and Mr Hopwood will be happy to mark it and give feedback.

Topics in the Mock 2 exams:

- Weimar Germany and Early Elizabethan England



History continued:

Useful Revision resources and websites:

- There are a wide range of resources on **Teams** - these include **revision work sheets** and **past papers**.
- **Recommended revision guide** - My Revision Notes: Pearson Edexcel GCSE (9–1) History: Four units in one: Slater, Sam, Waugh, Steve, Wright, John: 9781510469440: Books
- This guide is **available from the school** and online (roughly £6 for a used copy on Amazon or £11 new) covers each of the four topics we study.

Websites

- BBC Bitesize.
- Seneca Learning
- Tutor2U

Podcasts

- The Rest is History
- History Hit

Revision Opportunities in school:

- Revision sessions on **Wednesday lunchtimes or afterschool** in B24.
- Mr Cassidy and Mr Hopwood are always available to help/provide resources – come and find us in our rooms.



Subject: Photography

Exam Board: AQA

Key Takeaways from Mock 1 / Areas of development:

Sketchbook work.

- How does your main piece link to your experiments and Photographer / Artists research?
- Have you made clear that you have developed an idea inspired by a photoshoot and experimentation?
- Have you included all annotations, sketches and sources?

Useful Revision resources and websites:

<https://www.tate.org.uk/>

Various shared slides on Teams

Checklists in the sketchbook, on Teams.

Sketchbook layout booklet

Previous work and exemplars

Revision Opportunities in school:

After-school Photography sessions on a Thursday 3pm – 4pm A02



Subject: Physical Education

Exam Board: OCR

Key Takeaways from Mock 1:

A clear divide between students who revised and those that didn't. Revision is key!
If you haven't already- purchase the revision guide from the finance office

Useful Revision resources

Past Papers and Mark Schemes: [GCSE - Physical Education \(9-1\) - J587 - OCR](#)

Revision Guides and Workbooks (buy from finance office)

GCSE OCR Physical Education For the Grade 9-1 Course **ISBN: 9781789083200**

GCSE Physical Education OCR Exam Practice Workbook (with answers) **ISBN: 9781789083217**

GCSE Physical Education OCR Complete Revision & Practice (with Online Edition) **ISBN: 9781789083194**

Websites

Seneca [Free Homework & Revision for A Level, GCSE, KS3 & KS2 \(senecalearning.com\)](#)

BBC Bitesize [GCSE Physical Education - OCR - BBC Bitesize](#)

Topics in the Mock 2 exams:

Factors affecting performance (year 10 course) **AND sports psychology (work we have completed in year 11)**

Revision Opportunities in school:

Any lunchtime with prior arrangement and Monday's afterschool with prior arrangement



Subject: Statistics

Exam Board: Edexcel

Key Takeaways from Mock 1/Areas of development:

All tiers: COMMAND WORDS e.g. Describe, Compare, Explain, Show that, Discuss, Comment

Foundation Tier: Correlating the number of marks in a question with the amount of effort to put in.

Higher Tier: Revision of formulas e.g. Outliers, Comparative pie charts, Spearman's rank correlation coefficient

Useful Revision resources and websites:

Mrs Hodgett's Statistics

Corbett Maths

Sparx

Topics in the Mock 2 exams: Entire curriculum

Revision Opportunities in school:

After-school Maths revision on Wednesday – foundation & higher, A06 & A07



Subject: Religion and Philosophy GCSE
Exam Board: EDUQAS - GCSE RELIGIOUS STUDIES Route A
Component 1 – Religious, Philosophical & Ethical Studies in the Modern World (Focus: *Christianity & Islam*)
Component 2 – Study of Christianity **Component 3** – Study of World faith: Islam

Key Takeaways from Mock 1 / Areas of development:
Use more Religious “Teachings” - We need more *General/Evaluation and Reasoning* for 15-mark questions

Useful Revision resources and websites
Websites:

FREE PDF of EDUQAS COURSE BOOK:
[extension://efaidnbmnnnibpcajpcglclefindmkaj/https://resources.finalsite.net/images/v1553546800/sydenhamlewishamschuk/niddyrgyrsf2xaotqd8/Religious18-pt1.pdf](https://efaidnbmnnnibpcajpcglclefindmkaj/https://resources.finalsite.net/images/v1553546800/sydenhamlewishamschuk/niddyrgyrsf2xaotqd8/Religious18-pt1.pdf)

BBC BITE SIZE: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/z68sjhv>

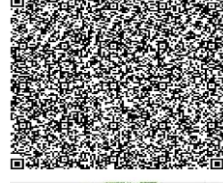
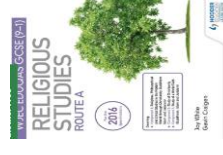
STUDY ROCKET: <https://studyrocket.co.uk/revision/gcse-religious-studies-a-eduqas>

CHAT GPT: Ask CGPT: ‘revise EDUQAS Religious Studies Route A.’ You can then specify topics and components as needed.

Books

Hodder Education EDUQAS Religious Studies Route A Revision Guide

Hodder Education EDUQAS Religious Studies Route A Student Book



Topics in the Mock 2 exams: *Life & Death, Good & Evil, Relationships* (up to Purpose of Sexual Relationships)

Revision Opportunities in school: Wednesday Lunchtime in B25



QUIZZES



MIND MAPS



CUE CARDS



PAST PAPERS



PICTURES



MNEMONICS

My	→	Mercury
Very	→	Venus
Educated	→	Earth
Mother	→	Mars
Just	→	Jupiter
Served	→	Saturn
Us	→	Uranus
Nine	→	Neptune
Pizzas	→	Pluto

TEACHING



STORIES

